

ABSTRACT

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FACILITATING  
TRUSTED TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN BUSINESSES

(Fig. 5)

5        In an e-commerce system, on-line guarantees of party identity or other parameters can be obtained from banks acting as guarantors. A signed message is sent from a sending party to an intermediate service provider. The intermediate party obtains the identity of the receiver guarantor from the receiving party and the obtaining guarantees from both the sending and receiving party guarantors. The guaranteed message is then sent to the receiving party who replies with a receipt which is sent from the intermediate party to the sending party as a  
10      guaranteed receipt.  
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